

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 194

HOUSE BILL NO. 70

By Representatives Fincher, Evans

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 474

By Senators Berke, Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 11, Part 6, relative to defenses to criminal responsibility.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-11-614(c), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(c) Unless a person is justified in using deadly force as otherwise provided by law, a person is not justified in using deadly force to prevent or terminate the other's trespass on real estate or unlawful interference with personal property.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-11-611, is amended by deleting from subsection (d)(1) the language "is not prohibited from entering the dwelling, residence, or occupied vehicle" and substituting instead the language "is not prohibited from entering the dwelling, business, residence, or occupied vehicle".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 30, 2009



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 13th day of May 2009



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR